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For: BIOABSORBABLE
ENDOPROSTHESIS
HAVING ELONGATE
AXIAL RESERVOIR FOR
BY-PRODUCT
COLLECTION

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This in response to the Requirement for Restriction, mailed June 26, 2006, a reply
to which is due one month, i.e., July 26, 2006.

REMARKS

The application is subject to a restriction requirement. The Examiner requires
restriction among the species of the claimed invention as shown in claims 30 and 44-75.

Applicants provisionally elect Group I. The restriction requirement, however, is
respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested in view of the following remarks.